

AMERICAN CITIZENS SERVICES NEWSLETTER

The U.S. Embassy is transmitting the following monthly newsletter via its warden system as a public service to U.S. citizens in Mongolia. Please feel free to disseminate this message to U.S. citizens in your organizations or to other Americans you know.

The Consular Section would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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Upcoming Presidential Primaries for NH, SC, FL, MO, AZ, MI voters

Overseas voters should submit a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) **NOW** to ensure they have the opportunity to vote in the upcoming early Presidential Primary Elections:

- * New Hampshire: January 10, 2012
- * South Carolina: January 21, 2012
- * Florida: January 31, 2012
- * Missouri: February 7, 2012
- * Arizona: February 28, 2012
- * Michigan: February 28, 2012

American citizens residing outside the U.S. who are residents from these States should submit an FPCA for these elections by going to FVAP.gov or by following the instructions in the Voting Assistance Guide, also available at FVAP.gov. It only takes a few minutes!

Register to Vote and Request Your Ballot Now!

Many States allow you to vote only in the year your ballot request (FPCA) is received, but due to the early primary dates, these States have made an exception. These States allow you to submit your FPCA now in 2011 so that you receive your State ballot and return it in time to be counted for these primaries.

HOWEVER! To ensure you are eligible to vote in other 2012 elections, including the General Presidential election, you must submit an FPCA **AGAIN** in January of 2012!

Be sure you include a phone and/or email address on your absentee ballot application in case your local election official needs to contact you. And, remember, many States allow you to submit your form electronically, and deliver your ballot electronically or provide online ballot access. Go to FVAP.gov or your State's election website to see how you can return your form. You can find your State's website at FVAP's web portal: <http://www.fvap.gov/reference/links.html>.



SMART TRAVELER ENROLLMENT PROGRAM (STEP)

Stay Informed. Sign up for our free [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (formerly known as “Travel Registration” or “Registration with Embassies”) to receive the latest travel updates and information! You only need to sign up once, and then you can add and delete trips from your account based on your current travel plans!

Stay Connected. By connecting with us on the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#), we will be able to assist you better in the case of an emergency, such as if you lose your passport or it is stolen while you are abroad. We also assist U.S. citizens in other emergencies, such as in natural disasters.

Stay Safe. We believe that a well-informed traveler is a safer traveler. Our consular officers around the world compile [country-specific information](#), [travel alerts](#), [travel warnings](#), fact sheets and warden messages to provide you with timely and accurate travel information about every country where you may travel.

Stay informed by connecting with us via our [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) so you can have safe and enjoyable travels!

Americans Encouraged to Take the Foreign Service Test in Mongolia

U.S. Embassy Ulaanbaatar will be administering the Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) in Mongolia on Saturday, February 4th at 9:00 am. American citizens interested in careers in the Foreign Service are encouraged to visit <http://careers.state.gov> to learn more about what the Foreign Service does and to register online for the test.

Upcoming Holidays

December 26— Christmas Day (observed)

January 2 —New Year's Day (observed)

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Travel Warnings and Alerts

[Bahrain](#) 11/18/2011
[Thailand](#) 11/16/2011
[Liberia](#) 11/09/2011
[Egypt](#) 11/07/2011
[Eritrea](#) 11/04/2011
[Kenya](#) 11/04/2011
[Guinea](#) 11/04/2011
[Congo, Democratic Republic of the](#) 11/03/2011
[Korea, Democratic People's Republic of](#) 11/03/2011
[Iran](#) 10/21/2011
[India](#) 10/18/2011
[Congo](#) 10/13/2011
[Nigeria](#) 10/13/2011
[Lebanon](#) 10/12/2011
[Mauritania](#) 10/12/2011
[Worldwide](#) 10/11/2011
[Japan](#) 10/07/2011
[Tunisia](#) 10/05/2011
[Mali](#) 10/04/2011
[Worldwide](#) 10/01/2011

For additional information about these travel warnings and alerts, please go to this site:
http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_1764.html

